MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(6)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE

July 7, 2005

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution relating to the

Youth Crime Task Force

Reserve Funds

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Natacha Seijas and Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler.

> Robert A. Ginsburg County Attorney

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(Revised)

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Please	note any items enecked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
<u></u>	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 14(A)(6)
Veto		7-7-05
Override		
	RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXPEND YOUTH CRIME TASK FORCE RESERVE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$94,000 TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY INTERIM FUNDING FOR THE GIRLS ADVOCACY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Youth Crime Task Force was established by resolution in 1997 to address youth crime and violence programming needs; and

WHEREAS, one of enumerated functions of the Youth Crime Task Force is to provide recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for the award of such youth crime prevention funding; and

WHEREAS, the Girls Advocacy Program ("GAP") is a well recognized program initiated by Circuit Court Judge Cindy Lederman, with a demonstrated success in improving outcomes and decreasing recidivism for girls who have been detained in the Juvenile Detention center; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature attempted to increase the appropriations for this worthy program and to expand the program statewide, but the line item appropriation was vetoed by Governor Bush; and

WHEREAS, the veto of the line item not only eliminated money for expansion, but also the very small operating budget of GAP; and

WHEREAS, there has been substantial research that the number of girls entering the juvenile justice system is rapidly increasing, and that girls who enter the juvenile justice system often have experienced significant life-disruptions, including physical, mental, and sexual abuse in their family setting; and

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WHEREAS, GAP benefits Miami-Dade County by offering the girls temporarily housed in the Juvenile Detention Center mentoring, instruction, and enrichment activities to help these girls develop coping strategies, to increase their self-esteem, and to give these girls skills which in turn decreases future involvement delinquency system; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Crime Task Force has recommended, in its advisory capacity to the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners, that emergency sustaining funding in the amount of \$94,000 should be provided to GAP from the Youth Crime Task Force reserve funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the County Manager is hereby authorized to expend Youth Crime Task Force reserve funds in the amount of up to \$94,000 to provide emergency interim funding for The Girls Advocacy Program, to execute all contracts, agreements, and amendments necessary to carry out the above reallocation of funds as specified above.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Natacha Seijas and Dr.

Barbara Carey-Shuler and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro Jose "Pepe" Diaz Sally A. Heyman Dorrin D. Rolle Katy Sorenson Sen. Javier D. Souto Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler Carlos A. Gimenez Barbara J. Jordan Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of July, 2005. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:		
	Deputy Clerk	

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Glenn Saks